



GERMANS TEMPT TO STOP PROPOSED LOAN FOR ALLEES

Teutons Understood to Have Agents in U. S. Working Against Flotation

WORKED FOR DR. DERNBURG

Plan Is to Have Persons With German Sympathies Withdraw Money From Banks

By Associated Press New York, Sept. 15.—The pro-German campaign against the flotation of billion dollar credit loan in the United States to Great Britain and France appeared to-day to assume the proportions of a country wide plot threatening even the personal safety of the six members of the Anglo-French financial commission.

Members of this committee, of which Lord Reading, first Lord of the Treasury, is chairman, have doubted their body guards, it became known to-day. They have been requested by the police of New York not to announce in advance their plans for any day and in no instance appear in the streets without detectives guarding them.

More than fifty threatening letters have been received by the commission. Their contents run the scale from abuse to threats against the lives of the commission. Some of the most threatening of these letters have been turned over to the police for investigation, it is said, and New York City detectives are reported to be seeking the writers.

According to information which came to the commission's attention the German attack on the proposed loan was launched from the cover of American citizens of German parentage, nativity or sympathies, although in reality these citizens were not the prime movers in the campaign. The attack included not only the negative stand in refusing to participate which the agitators hope will be taken by banks with large lists of German American depositors, it was reported, but embraced extreme measures against any banks with German American depositors helping in any way to finance the loan.

Reports Are Reliable This campaign according to reports from sources regarded as reliable, contemplated heavy withdrawals, wholesale in extent, from banks participating in the loan as an expression of the displeasure of pro-German depositors.

Another method which was reported to be in favor with those opposing the flotation of the loan was the proposal to float a similar loan for Germany. The amount of the proposed German loan, the commission heard, was to be half a billion dollars. It was designed, according to their information, not as a bonifide move to place the great sum at the disposal of the German empire, but as a means of being able to import American products, could not spend it but purely as an embarrassment to the Anglo-French commission.

Know All Bank Affairs A less drastic method of attack, it was reported to the commission was the apparent intention of the pro-German element to induce by persuasion or otherwise, every bank officer in the U. S. with German blood in his veins to oppose the participation of his bank in the flotation of the loan. This feature of the campaign it was reported had been systems of a remarkable degree so that the name of every such officer was said to be in the possession of those directing the agitation.

The movement from what the commission heard, had its origin in the East and its greatest activity in the Middle West, especially in the large cities where the pro-German element is considerable. Although not so manifest here in New York as elsewhere it was said, the plan is by no means inactive in this city.

Dauphin Co. W. C. T. U. Convention in Stevens M. E. Church Tomorrow

The thirteenth annual convention of the Dauphin County Women's Christian Temperance Union will be held in Stevens Memorial M. E. church tomorrow. The morning session will open at 9:30 o'clock with praise services. An address will be made by Mrs. Clayton Albert Smucker. Miss Mabel Stiles will respond. Reports of the officers and superintendents will follow. At noon luncheon will be served to the delegates, officers and superintendents by the Meade Union of Harrisburg.

THE WEATHER

Harrisburg and vicinity: Showers to-night or Thursday, somewhat cooler Thursday. Fair to-night and probably Thursday. Not much change in temperature. Light south wind. The temperature has risen about 10 degrees since last report in southern New England and the upper St. Lawrence valley and has remained practically stationary in other districts south and east of the Great Lakes except in East Tennessee where it was somewhat cooler. Temperature: 8 a. m. 74 2 p. m. 80. Sun: Rises, 5:46 a. m. Sets, 6:15 p. m. Mon: First quarter, September 21.21 a. m. River Stage: 3.4 feet above low water mark. YESTERDAY'S WEATHER Highest temperature, 80. Lowest temperature, 70. Mean temperature, 76. Normal temperature, 66.

WALTER WROTE THE PAVING CLAUSE HE NOW CALLS UNFAIR

Understood When He Bid That Work Was to Be Done This Year

CANNOT RENT CITY PLANT

Illegal to Lease It to Him; Commissioner Lynch on Asphalt Controversy

"When Alderman Charles P. Walter accepted the contract with the city to pave these sections of street he understood perfectly that he was expected to complete this work this year.

The change in the specifications providing that the work should be done this fall was written into the contract by Mr. Walter himself. The specifications originally did not mention any time. These are copied after the standard paving specifications that are used in cities throughout the United States. However Walter first suggested that he do the work next year and he was permitted to insert that clause in the specifications by Mr. Lynch.

In brief this was the way City Commissioner William H. Lynch, superintendent of streets and public improvement, discussed Walter's alleged statements yesterday. For that reason competition was not permitted under the specifications.

Illegal to Lease Plant

"Could you, even if you wished, have repaired the lease of the city asphalt repair plant to manufacture materials, as he asked?" the commissioner was asked.

"City Solicitor Seitz says we could not," he answered. "The contract is a business. The Clark act provides that contracts of this sort should be advertised and let to the lowest and best bidder, answered Mr. Lynch. "If you want to do the work this year if he desired."

"Why there has been getting it for the last five years? I told him that the city plant was an operation that we couldn't lease it if we were permitted to do so legally. For five years Walter has had a city contract to produce the asphalt for the repairing work. This totaled \$15,000 a year. Did he in all that time make any effort to erect a plant of his own? He did not. He bought his material from the Central Construction and Supply Company."

The Fallacy of Walter's Position "These streets total seven or eight thousand yards. At \$1.68 you can figure for yourself what that amounts to. At best it doesn't total nearly what Walter has been paid for doing this year for five years. And as I said before he still hasn't a plant of his own. He never brought a plant here. He doesn't intend to. If he is counting on the city plant he will be let next year—and that is what he is figuring on he said in Council—why that's ridiculous. There will be only a few small sections paved. The reason is very simple. We haven't any money for intersections."

Wanted to Borrow Plant

Council yesterday afternoon awarded Alderman Walter the contract for paving a dozen sections. He bid \$1.83 per yard. Central Construction and Supply company bid \$1.40. All told about 7,000 yards of material will be needed. The alderman has no asphalt plant here and to bring one to this city would cost too much time and expense for the size of the job. Walter's offer to Council yesterday was that he be permitted to use the city plant for a week or ten days. This would be time enough he said to prepare his material. The present force at the plant would be retained he said at their present wages. He would return the plant in proper condition and would pay the city five cents a yard for the privilege of using the plant, or about \$500.

Bodies of Aged Couple Found in Ashes of Home

Chatsworth, N. J., Sept. 15.—Their charred bodies side by side in the ashes of their home, which was destroyed by fire early yesterday morning, John Smith, watchman at a brick yard at Padenon in the pines eight miles from Chatsworth, and his aged wife died under suspicious conditions. Residents of Chatsworth driving along the lonely road near the brick yard at 2 o'clock yesterday morning were attracted to the home of the watchman, which is nearly two miles from the nearest habitation, by the bluish smoke that was seen rising from the case. One of the party caught a glimpse through the flame swept room of the two bodies side by side in bed. The blaze cut off any attempt at recovery of the bodies. Officials investigating the case do not believe the flames could have gained sufficient headway to suffocate the pair, and it is a general suspicion that the fire was started to cover another crime. The plant which is owned by the Brooks Brae Brick Company, of Philadelphia, has been idle for several years.

No Political Tickets Given Out in Church; Gross' Name Is Heard

Thomas Beideman, accused by a local newspaper of having distributed tickets bearing the names of political candidates among members of a Pine Street Presbyterian Sunday School class, to-day denied most emphatically that he had ever so much as mentioned politics in the church. "If there was any campaigning in church, it was in behalf of ex-Mayor Gross, who is a candidate for election to City Council," said one of Mr. Beideman's friends to-day. "I have heard his name mentioned frequently and I understand it was he who accused Mr. Beideman."

BANDITS' THREATENED ATTACK ON TOWN ON BORDER FRUSTRATED

American Soldiers Get Information Concerning Plot to Terrorize Texas City

CHARGE PLANNED FOR DAWN

Patrols Sent Out Cause Mexicans to Give Up All Arrangements

Washington, D. C., Sept. 15.—Regarding official advice to Americans to remain out of Mexico, the State Department to-day made the following announcement: "Owing to disturbed conditions prevailing along the Mexican border, the State Department repeats the advice heretofore given to American citizens to remain on this side of the international line for the present."

Officials reiterated denials that the announcement had any bearing on the Mexican political situation.

San Benito, Texas, Sept. 15.—Heavy cavalry and infantry patrols which were rushed to this city during last night kept off a threatened attack by Mexican bandits. Evidence of a plot to terrorize the city were strengthened by reports to army patrols during the night of activities of Mexicans outside of town.

Just before dawn, the time which the commanding officers here suspected was chosen for the attack, infantry details were sent out along the roads for some distance from town. No belligerent Mexicans appeared.

Will Be Closely Guarded

Mexicans here have told citizens about an organization of revolutionists which planned to make a demonstration at some other place to draw troops away from San Benito and then fire into the town. For that reason San Benito will be closely guarded for several days. Army patrols here or in the immediate neighborhood number about 100. Cavalry, infantry and two troops of cavalry. Threats also have been made against the town of Mercedes, about twenty miles from here.

A few days ago a number of strange Mexicans were noticed here. At the same time several trusted Mexican household servants advised their employers to leave because they had heard that the bandits were going to attack.

Boll Mattress Factory Set Ablaze by Firebug Thinks Chief Kindler

The fire which early this morning caused \$5,000 damage to the mattress factory of Boll Brothers, Fourteenth and Howard streets, is believed by Fire Chief Kindler to be of incendiary origin. A rigid investigation is under way.

When the flames were discovered they were eating through the roof at the rear of the brick structure. The material in which it was burning was highly inflammable and firemen had difficulty in extinguishing it. Adjoining the structure are several horse stables used by J. N. Rebeck. The horses and wagons were taken out of the danger zone.

The building damaged last night is owned by the Philadelphia and Reading Railway Company and according to local officials will be rebuilt at once. New machinery and material to replace that lost has already been ordered, Boll Brothers say, and they expect to have the factory working again within several weeks.

The similarity of the fire to the recent one which broke out in the lumber yard of E. C. Snyder at Eighteenth and Holly streets leads the fire chief to believe both fires were incendiary. According to a local adjuster \$5,300 insurance was carried on the total stock of merchandise. The machinery was protected to the amount of \$4,000.

TWO FALSE ALARMS

Two false alarms were sent in before all of the fire companies had returned from the fire in the Boll Brothers Manufacturing Company plant late last night. The first alarm came in from Box 26, Third and Muench streets. The other alarm was a telephone message, calling the Good Will company to Second and Kelker streets.

Taxi Cab Fares Are Reduced by Local Company to Low Rate

J. L. Shearer, Jr., president of the Harrisburg Taxicab Company, announces a reduction of the taxicab fares for this city. The claim is made that they will be the lowest metered fares known. One, two, three or four passengers will be carried the first half mile for twenty-five cents; five cents for each additional half mile will be charged. The hourly rate will be \$2.00 per hour. STOUGH FIGHTS SUITS Evangelist to Appeal Award of \$2,700 in Slander Suit Special to The Telegraph Hazleton, Pa., Sept. 15.—The Rev. Dr. Henry W. Stough, the evangelist, will fight the award of \$2,700 damages given against him this month by three arbitrators in the \$50,000 suit of Councilman William J. Cullen, of Hazleton, for slanders uttered during the campaign for slanders uttered during the campaign in Hazleton in 1914. Stough's attorneys are arranging to take an appeal. The lawyers for Max Friedlander, John Fiero and Harry W. Jacobs, who were attacked with Cullen by the evangelist in discussing conditions believed to exist in Hazleton, will take out rules to arbitrate their suits for \$50,000 damages each in the order named.

ENTRIES RECEIVED FOR SHELL RACES IN BIG CARNIVAL



NO. 2. CREW IN THE FOUR-OARED RACE

Best Oarsmen in Philadelphia Will Be Here For Improvement Celebration; Route of Automobile Trip Announced; Committees Whipping Plans Into Final Shape; Expect Thousands From Out-of-Town Cities

Entries for the shell races which will be the big feature of the water carnival of the municipal improvement celebration next Friday afternoon were received to-day by Mr. Ray Hoffer, chairman of the water fete and sports.

There will be one four-oared race and two contests for single shells. The entries for the four-oared event will be as follows: Crew No. 1—Bow, Theodore Fox; Theodore Lemis, Dr. F. Deforey and D. G. Hise. Crew No. 2—Bow, John Campbell; J. P. Clark, John Stagers and Charles Rose.

The single shell entries will be: A. C. Schmidt and Charles Salinger, veterans' class; D. H. Gaves and C. O. Rose, championship class.

The referee and starter for all the shell races will be C. Prezident. The rowers include the best oarsmen in Philadelphia, being members of the big Fairmount Rowing Association of that city. The contestants will arrive in Harrisburg next Wednesday and Thursday. They will practice on the course between Kelker and Market streets. Chairman Hoffer said this morning that great interest is being shown in the girls' swimming contest. He said that while one-piece bathing suits will be the regulation costume for swimming events, the committee has no objections if the girls wear other suits than the one-piece. Mr. Hoffer announces further that any swimmer [Continued on Page 9]

BIDS OPENED FOR STATE ROAD WORK

Old Baltimore Pike and Mill Creek Highways to Be Rebuilt

Bids were opened by State Highway Commissioner Cunningham to-day for the reconstruction of the road from Huntingdon to Mill Creek, in Huntingdon county and also for the reconstruction of that part of the Old Baltimore Pike running from Anvil to Kennett Square, in Chester county.

Fourteen bids were received on the Huntingdon county job and eleven on the Chester county operation. William C. Evans, of Ambler, was the low bidder on each contract, his price being \$86,079.91 for the Huntingdon county work and \$84,123.92 on the Chester county operation.

The road to be constructed in Huntingdon county, Henderson township and east for a distance of 22,999 feet from the east line of the Borough of Huntingdon to the west line of the Borough of Mill Creek. The bids received on this operation were as follows:

M. Hutchinson, Altoona, concrete, \$98,570.48; T. J. Janssen Co., Altoona, concrete, \$97,494.28; H. F. Robinson, Johnstown, concrete, \$132,851.20; R. B. Taylor, Bellefonte, concrete, \$92,451.28; Bell-Rock Co., Inc., Altoona, concrete, \$100,246.19; The Northwest Construction Co., Franklin, concrete, \$99,895.58; Curwensville Const. Co., Curwensville, concrete, \$102,451.28; Chas. T. Eastburn Co., York, concrete, \$107,411.24; Hoblitzell & Price, Meyersdale, concrete, \$103,449.56; O'Brien Brothers, Avoca, concrete, \$93,775.10; Booth & Plinn, Ltd., Chester, concrete, \$43,831.70; (warranted), class "A", \$40,465.43; William C. Evans, Ambler, bit. mat., class "C" (fibertine) \$86,079.91; R. H. Cunningham & Sons, Turtle Creek, concrete, \$100,246.19; The Northwest Construction Co., Altoona, concrete, \$104,825.54.

Birdegroom, Aged 74, Walks Into Bureau on Crutches For License

Henry B. Smith and his bride elect, Louisa Trego, do hope that their friends won't "carry on" too demonstratively just because they are going to be married. That's the reason they didn't want more than a casual mention in the papers of the fact that they obtained a license from the Dauphin county marriage bureau to-day. They abhor a fuss at such times; they think they're too well along in years for such things. Both knew whereof they speak, they said. Smith was a retired rural postal delivery carrier of Dillsburg, has been married twice. Mrs. Smith Nos. 1 and 2 died nine and five years ago, respectively. Mrs. Trego has been a widow for five years. Smith is 74 years old and walked into the license bureau on crutches. His bride-to-be is 68.

U. S. Can Still Produce "Good Old Dollar Bill"

Washington, D. C., Sept. 15.—By employing rigid economy the Bureau of Engraving and Printing has met the scarcity of dyes resulting from the war in Europe and now has available enough pigments to color the government's money and stamps for six months. By the end of that period Director Ralph, of the bureau, believes that either a supply of colors made in America will be available or that arrangements will be made for securing same shipments from Germany.

JOHN C. JAY RESIGNS FROM PA. STEEL CO.

Gives Up Vice-Presidency to Become Chairman of Motor Car Co. Directors

John C. Jay, Jr., vice-president and general manager of sales for the Pennsylvania Steel Company, has resigned to become chairman of the board of directors of the Maxwell Motor Car Company, of Detroit, Mich. His resignation becomes effective October 1.

Mr. Jay will be succeeded by R. W. Gillispie, district manager of sales in charge of the New York office of the Pennsylvania Steel Company. Mr. Gillispie's title will be general manager of sales.

Mr. Jay became one of the vice-presidents of the Pennsylvania Steel Company just a few months ago, prior to which time he held the title of general manager of sales, which he received in 1912.

SCHOOLS HAVE HALF SESSION

Wilkes-Barre, Pa., Sept. 14.—The schools of the city, public, parochial and private closed with one session to-day, because of the heat. This program will be maintained until the weather moderates. The thermometer reached 91 at 1 o'clock.

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MARRIAGE LICENSES

Henry B. Smith, Dillsburg, and Louisa Trego, city. Robert William Moran, city, and Alice J. Shaw, Penbrook. Irvin A. Light and Katie Elizabeth Hoke, Lebanon.

PREW! 90 IN SHADE! BUT BY HECK, IT'S GOOD FOR THE CROPS

You Ought to See the Late Potatoes; They Sure Are Whoppers Hereabouts

SLIGHT RELIEF PROMISED

City Streets Like Bake Ovens; Humanity's Collar Just Won't Stand Up

With a maximum temperature for to-day and yesterday of ninety degrees accompanied by unusually high humidity, this section of the country is in the wilting grasp of the hottest September weather in twenty-eight years.

While the hot weather will continue for at least thirty-six hours, slight relief is promised by Forecaster Dearnley who predicts light local showers tomorrow.

The thermometer started this morning at 74 degrees—eight above normal for this date—and accompanied by high humidity, because of the cloudiness which continued until nearly 9 o'clock, proceeded to make life miserable for everybody. Soon after noon to-day when the mercury mounted highest, streets in the central part of the city were like ovens. High temperatures during the present siege have been particularly oppressive because the weather caught the public unawares.

While humanity has been sweating under the influence of the hot sun and high humidity, crops have been making great strides forward. The soil is in excellent condition for plowing and the thrashing of grains is well under way. Late potatoes are being dug and in most sections are of good yield and quality. The high temperatures have crowded the corn rapidly toward maturity and cutting will soon begin in the southern part of the State while in the northern districts it will be delayed until near the close of the month.

LUNCHEON AT RAGGED EDGE

President Moorhead C. Kennedy, of the Cumberland Valley Railroad Company, has issued invitations for his annual luncheon at Ragged Edge, his picturesque country estate near Chambersburg Saturday afternoon, October 2.

VOTE ON \$1,250,000,000 LOAN

London, Sept. 15, 3.25 P. M.—Premier Asquith in the House of Commons to-day moved a vote of credit of £250,000,000 (\$1,250,000,000). In making the motion the premier announced that from July 18 to September 11 the daily net expenditure for the war had been £3,500,000 (\$17,500,000).

PRETORIAN IN COLLISION

Quebec, Sept. 15.—The Allan liner Pretorian, inward bound, was in collision last night and is now ashore east of White Island, according to reports received here to-day.

AMERICAN CONSULS WITHDRAWN

Washington, Sept. 15.—American consuls and consular agents in Northern Sonora and Chihuahua have been ordered by this government to withdraw to the United States because of the dangers in border uprisings and inability of Mexican military leaders to protect them.

Philadelphia, Sept. 15.—The temperature in Philadelphia, which has been excessively high for the last thirteen days, was again above the average to-day, 89 being recorded at the Weather Bureau this afternoon.

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HOUSE OF COMMONS IS ASKED TO VOTE MAMMOTH CREDIT

Premier Asquith Wants \$1,250,000,000 to Carry on Operations on Continent

NEUTRAL VESSEL TORPEDOED

Foreign Military Observers Expect Decisive Battle in Vicinity of Vilna

It was announced in London that Premier Asquith asked the House of Commons to vote a credit of \$1,250,000,000.

Copenhagen reports the blowing up by a German submarine of the motor schooner Norte, owned in Christiania, Norway. The crew was saved.

Count Von Renventlow, the German naval attaché, declares in the Berlin Tages Zeitung that the Zeppelin attacks on London are legal and of a military character as London is a fortress. He argues that the British government has been remiss in not ordering the evacuation of the city. The attacks are aimed at the destruction of property serving military purposes, he asserts.

County Commissioners to Sit Monday to File Registration Petitions

Dauphin county's Board of Commissioners will sit Monday and probably a part of Tuesday to receive the petitions of city voters who failed to register on the regular registration days because of illness or unavoidable absence from the city and who wish to get their names on the books for the primaries.

The election supplies must be given the various boards in time for the opening of the polls Tuesday and this means that many of the packages will have to be distributed by automobile.

More than 100 blank petitions have been given out to date and about forty petitions already filled out have been filed with the commissioners. More than a dozen were received to-day.